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NORTH PLATTE, NEBRASKA, is centrally situated in the triangular figure bounded by lines drawn from Omaha to Cheyenne, thence to Denver, from thence to starting point. It is 291 miles from the first named city, 225 miles from the second, and 280 miles from the third. Having a population of 4,000 people it is the headquarters of both freight and passenger divisions of the U. P. Ry Co., and is the home of about 100 railway employes whose monthly pay roll amounts to some \$35,000. About 200 miles of irrigation canals are rapidly nearing completion, which will bring to the highest state of cultivation 150,000 acres of the most productive land upon which the sun's rays shine. The climate of North Platte is that of the best afforded by the older states, and her people are active, progressive and prosperous. To the industrious, energetic home-seeker from the crowded east North Platte and Lincoln county presents unusual advantages. Thousands of acres of vacant government land, in close proximity to those already being brought under irrigation, may be obtained by consulting the United States land office in North Platte. A letter of inquiry to "U. S. Register, North Platte, Neb.," relative to the above will be courteously answered. Irrigated farming is no longer an experiment, but has reached the point where it is acknowledged as pre-eminently the safest—in all seasons—method of conducting agricultural and horticultural operations. The salubrious and life-giving climate of Lincoln county, where malaria is unknown and where pulmonary troubles are unknown of, is another incentive to the location therein of those who are anxious to enjoy the good things of this life as long as possible. North Platte churches and schools are above those of eastern communities, the latter being one of the few in Nebraska permitting the graduate teacher to enter the State University without an intermediate preparatory training. The people of the community gladly welcome the honest, industrious eastern citizen who is eager to better his condition and assisting in the upbuilding and development of a comparatively new country.

On Wednesday the legislature passed over the governor's veto the Omaha fire and police bill. This action of the legislature is likely to occasion a long and loud howl from the Omaha Bee.

The passage of the sugar bounty bill by the legislature has already stimulated the culture of sugar beets in several sections of the state, and we may confidently expect to see several new factories erected within the next twelve months.

The election in Chicago Tuesday resulted in the election Geo. B. Swift, the republican candidate for mayor, by a plurality of about 40,000. In St. Louis the republicans made a clean sweep of the city. In Lincoln Graham, republican, was elected over Brady, democrat, by 1,200.

SECRETARY MORTON complains that some of the Congressmen sell the garden seeds they get from his department for free distribution to their constituents. The secretary ought to remember that this administration has been one of barter with congress ever since it began, and he ought not to complain.

A NUMBER of county commissioners of Valley county are in trouble, because they for the last three years have intentionally neglected to levy the necessary tax to meet interest on the \$32,000 Valley county bonds now in dispute. The popular majority thought to pose as the people's champions against the "bloated bondholders," but now they are threatened with fines and imprisonment and wish they had been wiser.

REV. A. B. EARLE, who died in Newton, Mass., last Saturday, was one of the successful evangelists of the country. He had preached for sixty-four years and in that time had held 39,330 public meetings, preached 21,840 sermons, traveled 370,000 miles, and added 160,000 members to the church, of whom 400 became ministers. He also wrote a number of religious books and for his work he received \$65,520, a little more than \$1,000 a year.

THE NEW YORK Sun is doing its best to inaugurate a "booming day" on April 10, when 100,000 people shall agree to spend \$100 apiece and thus "launch \$10,000,000 into the cash boxes of commerce with one magnificent swash." The Sun declined to accept all propositions to change the day to April 1, and insists that the proper time for this grand simultaneous outpouring of money in legitimate expenditure shall be on April 10th.

THE national banks of Nebraska, exclusive of those in Omaha and Lincoln, contain about \$10,000,000 of individual deposits. To say nothing of capital stock and surplus funds, this gives a fair idea of the means at the command of the people of this state. To this must be added the deposits in state savings banks and in building and loan associations. This idle money to be sure is doing the people at large little good. It is in hiding and will not have courage to show its face until this year's crop shall have been assured. Then it will begin to circulate and this is why our whole state is dependent upon the tillers of the soil. The wealth of Nebraska is dug from the earth. When Mother Earth is prolific, business is good, credit can be given, the volume of circulating medium expands, money becomes easy and general prosperity reigns. Money is simply the evidence of wealth yielded up by the earth under the hand of toil.—Bee.

TRACHERY MEETING.

Programme for Logan and Lincoln county teachers' meeting to be held in Gandy, April 13th, 1895.

One o'clock p. m.—Opening exercises. What are we reading? Reports from all teachers.

Paper—To what extent should history be made a memory study?—Emma Froley.

Discussion. Paper—The analysis of problems in percentage.—Mrs. A. C. Kirby.

Discussion opened by Lena Grabtree. Paper—How shall we reach the pupil who doesn't care?—Herman Kampfire.

Discussion. Paper—The purpose in teaching Civil government in country schools; how shall it be attained?—W. A. Mansfield.

Discussion opened by Oscar Neel. Experience meeting and question box. The committee hope that music and recitations will be furnished by pupils from the various schools.

W. QUINCY MAHAN, E. THORNBURG, MARY E. HOSFORD, Maxwell Melange.

T. Hanrahan, G. Snyder and J. Nugent spent last Tuesday in North Platte.

G. Snyder attended an irrigation meeting in Brady Island last Monday.

Mr. Riley, of the Island spent Monday in North Platte.

Miss Hosford visited the schools in this locality Wednesday and Thursday.

County Commissioner Hill visited Maxwell Monday evening, and while waiting for the train visited our singing school.

Mr. McNamara has a new windmill in his yard, or rather in his garden and it will soon be in operation.

There is a bridge gang here repairing the railroad bridges this week.

Mr. Kinley, who teaches seven miles from here, came with his school of fourteen scholars to visit the Maxwell school last Tuesday morning and remained all day, and at noon time and during recess it was a pleasure to hear the ring of so many childish voices at play.

At the last meeting of the literary society the following question was debated: "Resolved, that high license is better for the country than prohibition," and it was decided in favor of the negative.

Of course. A large number was present and at the close of the meeting it was decided by the majority that the literary should continue to be held for an indefinite length of time, even though spring time is so near. CLYDE.

SOMERSET SNAP SHOTS. Last week was very hot. Thursday thermometer registered 88.

A meeting has been in progress at the Little Medicine school-house the past week.

J. H. Koozles was a Maywood visitor last Friday.

Old Mr. and Mrs. Latimer are each very sick.

John McConnell transacted business in North Platte Tuesday.

Rev. T. K. Tyson of Lincoln arrived Thursday and held meetings over Sunday returning home Monday.

G. B. Latimer has taken charge of a mail route between Hayes Center and Indianola.

H. McDermott and George Pulley were in Maywood Saturday.

L. H. Stimms has returned from Missouri. It is reported that he secured a car of corn for Kem precinct.

J. F. Brittain transacted business in North Platte Wednesday.

The ordinance of baptism was administered near the Little Medicine school house Sunday.

Wm. Griffith and L. J. Kidder are in Iowa soliciting aid.

Rev. Nichols of Clay county preached at Somerset school house Sunday morning and evening.

The Lord boys and Stephen Kendall who went from here to Arkansas last year are reported to have left there.

Emmet Stone recently passed up the line returning from Fillmore county to Madrid.

Ed. Latimer has secured the mail route between Hayes Center and Palestine and will take charge soon.

Harvey Jackson and Miss Aggie Smith were recently married; the best wishes of many friends go with them for a prosperous and happy life. O. I. C.

The suppression of the slot machines in Cincinnati has caused 50,000 copper cents to be taken to the sub-treasury in that city to be exchanged for currency. The fact illustrates the extent to which this gambling device was patronized chiefly by the young, and the consequent demoralization.

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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION. Land Office at North Platte, Neb., April 2, 1895.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Register and Receiver at North Platte, Neb., on May 12th, 1895, viz: WILLIAM CORSELMAN, who made Homestead Entry No. 15,740, for the southeast quarter section 6, township 10 north, range 22 west. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Walter N. Simmons, John Stanley, John Baker and William Connor, all of Lincoln, Nebraska. JOHN F. HINMAN, Register.

BANDITS ROB A TRAIN.

Rock Island Express Help Up Near Dover, O. T.

MESSENGER WAS WOUNDED. Passengers Lost \$300 in Cash and Several Revolvers, Watches and Rings—Failed to Open the Express Safe—Fosse Is Now in Pursuit.

HENNESSY, O. T., April 4.—A robbery occurred at 11:50 last night, 20 rods west of Dover. Train No. 1 was held up by five mounted men, who ordered the baggage man to open the door of the baggage car. He refused and the robbers fired 12 shots through the door, wounding the baggage man in the wrist. The robbers then broke open the door with a sledge, but did not succeed in getting any plunder from the baggage car. They hurriedly proceeded through the smoker and one day coach, securing about \$300 in money from the passengers. In addition to the \$300 in cash, the robbers also obtained from their victims in the day coach and smoker six revolvers and a number of watches and rings. The passengers in the sleepers were not disturbed. The robbers were last seen from the train going west from Dover, all mounted, the leader being upon a mettlesome gray horse. A posse started from Kingsfisher, the next station, in pursuit of the bandits.

Further details of the robbery state that two of the robbers boarded the engine just as the train was leaving Dover, and covering the engineer and fireman, commanded them to stop at a certain point about 200 yards from the water tank. The engineer, a little excited, went about one-fourth of a mile before stopping and narrowly escaped losing his life. He was shot in the back and fired at him, just missing him, and the ball going through the cab window. Conductor James Mack not having heard the shot, started to find out what was wrong, and was covered as he approached the engine. They robbed him and were then joined by others who had come up to the train. A demand was made for Express Messenger Jones to open his door. This was refused and a fusillade followed, in which the messenger was wounded in the wrist. He attempted to escape from the opposite side of the car, but was captured by a guard on that side and made to crawl under the train. An attempt was then made to open the safe, but nothing could be done. Then they proceeded to rob the passengers as already stated.

KILLED BY SENATOR HURT. William Milne Meets Death at the Hands of Casper's Mayor.

CASPER, WY., April 4.—Senator J. J. Hurt, mayor of Casper, shot William Milne, a sheep owner, last night. Hurt fired five shots, all taking effect. Hurt claims that Milne was too intimate with his wife. Senator Hurt is one of the largest sheep owners in this section.

Tried to Blow Up the Vault. ELYRIA, O., April 4.—An attempt was made to blow up the vault in the county treasurer's office here. A fuse was found attached to the vault door, which had been plugged with nitro glycerine. The fuse appeared to have been lighted. The vault is \$17,000 in the vault. The sheriff has telegraphed for an expert to open the vault, as it is feared the glycerine will explode if tampered with.

Death of Ex-Governor Marshall. ST. PAUL, April 4.—State Librarian Gilman received a telegram from Pasadena, Cal., announcing the death in that city of ex-Governor William B. Marshall, who was governor of Minnesota from 1868 to 1870 and had been nominated in state affairs ever since there was a state of Minnesota, commanding a Minnesota regiment during the war.

Rich Strike in the Alta Mine. BOISE, Idaho, April 4.—News has reached here of a remarkably rich strike made in the Alta mine at Delamar. An air shaft is being sunk. The result of sampling and assaying shows the ore to average \$70 per ton in gold and the shaft has hardly been started.

Seven For Conviction. CARROLLTON, Mo., April 4.—The Taylor jury is still out without any immediate prospect of its members coming to an agreement as to the guilt of the accused in the murder of the Meeks family. It is learned that the jury stands seven for conviction and five against.

Epidemic at Hot Springs is Over. HOT SPRINGS, Ark., April 4.—All trains on the Hot Springs railroad have been resumed. Three convalescent patients remain in the hospital here. At Camden two inmates of the pest house have been released, and the epidemic is believed to be over.

Double Killing in Indian Territory. PARIS, Tex., April 4.—The following has been received at the United States marshal's office from Deputy Marshal Clark at Chickasaw, I. T.: "Negro Wilson and Carter killed by Houston and Carson and McKnight. The homicide occurred on Winter's creek."

Shot While Retreating Arrest. BOONEVILLE, Miss., April 4.—While retreating near this place last night John Hall, a noted illicit distiller, was shot and killed by Marshal Williamson.

Murderer Lako Electrocuted. ALBURN, N. Y., April 4.—William Lako was electrocuted in the state prison here at 12:45 p. m. for the murder of Emma Hunt.

Short Five Thousand. PITTSFIELD, Ills., April 4.—J. W. Linnville, deputy county treasurer, has been arrested. His shortage is estimated at \$5,000.

WHEATLAND, WYO. There is no finer agricultural section in all this broad western country than can be found in the vicinity of the beautiful little town of Wheatland, Wyoming, ninety-six miles north of Cheyenne. Immense crops, never failing supply of water, rich land, and great agricultural resources. Magnificent farms to be had for little money. Reached via the Union Pacific System.

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NICARAGUA CANAL COMMISSION.

Will Sail For Greytown Within Two Weeks to Look Up the Route.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—It is expected that the Nicaragua canal commission will start for Nicaragua within two weeks, as it is realized that the time at its disposal is short, when the work to be done is considered. Major Ludlow probably will be the president of the commission by virtue of his brevet rank of colonel. He is now in England on duty as military attaché of the American embassy. He will be instructed by cable to take the first steamer for the United States and come to Washington. The commission will organize and outline its plan of operations and then go to New York, where a thorough examination will be made of the designs of the survey and the plans of the canal company with the purpose of saving time and work in the field. Returning to Washington the commission will receive formal instructions from the secretary of state and proceed to Mobile and sail on the Montgomery for Greytown, at the eastern terminus of the canal. It is believed that with average weather the commission can complete its work at Nicaragua in about two months, and be back in the United States ready to begin the compilation of the report, which must be ready by next November.

ZIEGLER AND WELLS NOT DROWNED. Reported Wreck of the Yacht Crusoe Proves to Be a Mistake.

PALM BEACH, Fla., April 4.—The first authentic report from the sloop Robinson Crusoe, in which were Messrs. Ziegler and Wells of New York, was brought here by Captain Bradley of the schooner Pearle, from Bay Biscayne. Captain Bradley reports that the mail boat plying between Bay Biscayne and Key West sighted the Crusoe north of Key West. She was running along under single reefed sails and reported "all well on board, bound for Key West," where she is probably now lying at anchor. The report that she was wrecked was started by some spongers who sighted a Bahama vessel off Key Largo with mast and shrouds carried away drifting rapidly out to the gulf stream. As the Robinson Crusoe was due about that time they jumped at the conclusion that it was her, and carried the news to Key West that she was wrecked.

NEBRASKA LEGISLATURE. Legislators Give a Fat Job to Clerk Geddes. Report Against Garneau.

LINCOLN, April 4.—Chief Clerk Geddes will prepare the house journal for publication at the price of \$2,000 for doing the same. The house passed a resolution to that effect today. Burch, Roddy and Harris were appointed a committee to confer with a similar committee from the senate in regard to selecting six trustees for the Nebraska City institution for the blind. Myers, chairman of the committee on investigation of the acts of World's Fair Commissioner General Garneau, submitted a drastic and scathing report against the doings of the entire commission.

The senate did nothing but committee work this forenoon. The age of consent bill, already passed by the house, was ordered to third reading.

Sugar Trust as Distillers. NEW YORK, April 4.—That the American Sugar Refining company is engaged in the distilling business is certain by the fact that a distiller's license has been taken out by the company. The purpose is to utilize the by-product of the sugar refineries, a portion of which it has been sending to New Bedford for manufacture into rum, and for which it received about 2 cents per gallon. The understanding is that one of the old refineries in the eastern district of Brooklyn will be converted into a distillery with a capacity of 50,000 gallons of proof spirits per day.

New Texas Railway. HOUSTON, April 4.—The Galveston, La. Porto and Houston railway was opened for traffic between Houston and La Porte today. The first train was a number of sleepers containing a party from St. Louis, who arrived over the "Katy" this morning. The owners of this road are endeavoring to secure control of the Galveston Western, which gives them terminals in Galveston. All that is necessary now will be to bridge Galveston bay.

Illinois Democrats Will Hold a Convention. SPRINGFIELD, April 4.—The Democratic state central committee at a special meeting to consider the question of calling a state convention for the purpose of discussing the currency question and adopting a platform of principles for the next campaign, adopted resolutions that such a convention should be held in Springfield on June 4.

California Will Send Seed. SAN FRANCISCO, April 4.—The California state board of trade is arranging its response to an appeal from destitute Nebraska farmers to collect donations of barley, oats and wheat for seed from the farmers of this state and ship them to the eastern victims of drought. Several carloads will be shipped for this purpose.

Fort Marcy Reopened. DENVER, April 4.—Colonel Lawton, inspector general of the department of Colorado, has received orders from Washington to establish his headquarters in Santa Fe, N. M., May 1, thus reopening Fort Marcy. The colonel will be given a large territory to look after, extending to several posts in Texas.

Marshall Field's Generous Offer. CHICAGO, April 4.—A generous offer of Marshall Field to the W. C. T. U. is announced. Mr. Field promises \$25,000 with the proviso that \$75,000 more be raised by Jan. 1, 1896. It is intended that this total sum be applied on the debt overhanging the Woman's Temple.

Fire at St. Louis. ST. LOUIS, April 4.—At an early hour today a large frame building at Wells' station, the city limits, was burned to the ground and the property of the Suburban Railroad company damaged, causing a loss of about \$50,000.

FROM FOREIGN LANDS.

Battle With Umra Khan's Troops on the Borders of Chitral.

SPANISH SOLDIERS IN CUBA. Troops Scattered All Over the Island. What the Automonists Want—Victory For the Insurgents at Holguin. Oscar Wilde's Libel Suit.

CALCUTTA, April 4.—A dispatch received here from the Malakand pass, says the operation of the British troops against Umra Khan of Gando, the invader of Chitral, in the pass itself were commenced by the guides, who were sent to clear the hills on the left. The Maxim rapid fire guns were placed to the front whenever they got within range of the enemy, estimated to number 12,000. The latter at first made but a feeble resistance, but when the heart of the pass was reached the action became general. The Gordon Highlanders and the Scottish Borders stormed the defenses of the enemy, which were composed of Swat, Malakand and Umra Khan's supporters. The British troops advanced with spirit in spite of the fact that the roadway over the pass was cut away in many places, and that stone breastworks were constructed at various points, which had to be carried at the point of the bayonet. Fifty of the British force were wounded, including three officers severely and four slightly injured. The enemy lost 300 killed and wounded.

CAMPAIN PLANS OF THE SPANISH. Grand Review at Santiago Before the Hunt For Insurgents Begins.

HAVANA, April 4.—At daybreak a battalion of Spanish troops marched out from the fortress of Cabana, which lies westward on the hills above Morro castle. They were led to the railway, from which trains travel south across the island to Batabanoo. It is at that point that the government troops are being forwarded to the eastern districts of Cuba, and when the battalion en route today shall have reached Santiago de Cuba all the troops newly arrived from Spain will have been mobilized at that point. When all are there there will be a grand review and then the hunt for the insurgents will begin. Meanwhile the organization of the troops by commands is being effected.

The Automonistic party here favors such a relation of Cuba to Spain as is sustained to England by her colonies. Independence is not desired. A meeting of a party was held yesterday to deplore the rebellion and to offer aid to Spain. The same action has been taken by the Automonists of Puerto Rico. The resolutions embodying these views have been forwarded to Rafael Maria Laberia, the Cuban leader of the party, in Spain.

Oscar Wilde's Libel Suit. LONDON, April 4.—There was an unabated interest today at Old Bailey in the trial of Oscar Wilde on the second day of his libel action against the second

in the morning unprintable. Mr. Curran's cross-examination of the plaintiff was concluded at noon, after having lasted over six hours. Dr. Carson's speech for the defense was terribly denunciatory of Wilde.

Favor the Gold Standard. BERLIN, April 4.—The committee of the trade congress which assembled today will demand the adoption of the following resolution: "The commercial and industrial circles must regard every weakening of the well ordered gold standard in Germany as a fundamental injury to German economic life."

Severe Penalties For Insurgents. MADRID, April 4.—The chamber of deputies today approved the proposed reforms of the penal code as applicable to Cuba and providing the most severe penalties for the promoters of the movement favoring separation from Spain.

Victory For the Insurgents. TAMPA, Fla., April 4.—The Masco brothers, commanding the insurgents at Holguin, are reported to have gained a signal victory March 29, defeating the Spanish, killing 26, wounding 132 and capturing 12.

Export Duties on Sugar Suspended. THE HAGUE, April 4.—The bill suspending for a year, from June 1, the export duties on sugar from the Dutch East Indies has been adopted.

Railway Along the Florida Keys. WASHINGTON, April 4.—The Cuban complications have increased the interest of the engineering department of the navy in the plan to extend the Jacksonville and St. Augustine railway along the Florida keys to Key West. It is pointed out that this will bring Havana within 15 hours by sea from the end of the railway instead of 30 hours as at present and will vastly increase the importance of the island, both for naval and military purposes.

To Fight the Dressed Beef Combine. CHICAGO, April 4.—The Post says it is learned from sources close to the fountain head that the cattle raisers of the west are bending every effort to the perfection of an organization during the coming season to fight the dressed beef combine.

General Harrison Is a Candidate. CHICAGO, April 4.—General J. S. Clarkson, who is in Chicago, stated positively today that ex-President Harrison is a candidate for the presidency.

No Truth in the Rumor. NEW YORK, April 4.—There is no truth in the rumor that Queen Victoria is dead.

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